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Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08157.0014

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
David VALE et al.) Group Art Unit: 3731
Application No.: 09/985,820) Examiner: Uyen T. Ho
Filed: November 6, 2001) Confirmation No.: 4546
For: FILTER ELEMENT FOR EMBOLIC)
FOR PROTECTION DEVICE)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2004, the period for response having been extended to April 18, 2005, by a request for extension of three months and fee payment filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this Reply.

Remarks follow the claim amendments section of this Reply.